

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

Confined Livestock

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Confined Livestock		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
If the application is for development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP), the agency will assign significant ranking priority and conservation benefit by answering "Yes" to the following question. Answering "Yes" to question 1a will result in the application being awarded the maximum amount of points that can be earned for the national priority category.	
1. a. Is the program application to support the development of a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP)? If answer is "Yes", do not answer any other national level questions. If answer is "No", proceed with evaluation to address the remaining questions in this section.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Water Quality Degradation – Will the proposed project improve water quality by: (select all that apply)	
2. a. Implementing the practices in a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Implementing the practices in a Nutrient Management Plan (NMP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Reducing impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides on land adjoining a designated "impaired water body" (TMDL, 303d listed waterbody, or other State designation)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. d. Reducing the impacts from sediment, nutrients, salinity, or pesticides in a "non-impaired water body"?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. e. Implementing practices that improve water quality through animal mortality and carcass management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Water Conservation – Will the proposed project conserve water by: (select all that apply)	
3. a. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce aquifer overdraft.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b. Implementing irrigation practices that reduce on-farm water use?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c. Implementing practices in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. d. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm water use as a result of changing to crops with lower water consumptive use, the rotation of crops, or the modification of cultural operations?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Air Quality - Will the proposed project improve air quality by: (select all that apply)	
4. a. Meeting on-farm regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. b. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm emissions of particulate matter (PM2.5, PM10)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. c. Implementing practices that reduce on-farm generated greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), and nitrous oxide (N2O)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. d. Implementing practices that increase on-farm carbon sequestration?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Soil Health:– Will the proposed project improve soil health by: (select all that apply)	
5. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b. Increasing organic matter and carbon content, and improving soil tilth and structure?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Wildlife Habitat – Will the proposed project improve wildlife habitat by: (select all that apply)	
6. a. Implementing practices benefitting threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b. Implementing practices that retain wildlife and plant habitat on land exiting the Conservation	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Reserve Program (CRP) or other set-aside program?	
6. c. Implementing practices benefitting honey bee populations or other pollinators?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. d. Implementing land-based practices that improve habitat for aquatic wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Plant and Animal Communities: Will the proposed project improve plant and animal communities by: (select all that apply)	
7. a. Implementing practices that result in the management control of noxious or invasive plant species on non-cropland?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b. Implementing practice in an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Energy Conservation– Will the proposed project reduce energy use by: (select all that apply)	
8. a. Reducing on-farm energy consumption?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b. Implementing practice(s) identified in an approved AgEMP or energy audit, which meet ASABE S612 criteria?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines – Will the practices to be scheduled in the “EQIP Plan of Operations” result in:	
9. a. Enhancement of existing conservation practice(s) or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is received?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
WATER QUALITY	
1. Is the applicant applying for Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Irrigation Water Mgt. (449), Nutrient Mgt. (590), Pest Mgt. (595), or Prescribed Grazing (528).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. IF QUESTION #1 IS "YES", Has the applicant ever received cost share for Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Irrigation Water Mgt. (449), Nutrient Mgt. (590), Pest Mgt. (595), or Prescribed Grazing (528) on any operation in previous years or Farm Bill Programs. If Question #1 is "NO", then answer "NO".	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. WATER QUALITY: Is the operation included in the application located within an impaired watershed 303(d) list OR has karsts features?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
RESIDUE MANAGEMENT	
1. Is the applicant applying for Residue Management (329, 345)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. IF QUESTION #1 IS "YES", Has the applicant ever received cost share for Residue Management on any operation in previous years under the Farm Bill Programs. If Question #1 is "NO", then answer "NO".	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
CONSERVATION PLAN	
1. Does the applicant have a conservation plan at the time of ranking for the resource concerns that will be addressed through this application/contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Does producer have an approved NRCS CNMP?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS	
1. Has the applicant ever terminated an EQIP contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will non-federal funds be utilized to implement this contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Has the applicant received federal funds to install or improve an existing waste storage system within the past 5 years?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. AGREEMENT / PERMIT: Is the operation included in this application under an administrative agreement consent order?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Has the applicant signed, or will sign the Notice of Intent to comply with state BMPs with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) prior to the obligation date of this contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Does the applicant have a conservation plan at the time of ranking for the resource concerns that will be addressed through this application/contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. WATER QUALITY / COLLECTION: Do you have an adequate collection facility (meets the needs of the	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

waste generated from an average herd size for the previous 5 years) that meets NRCS Standards & Specifications?	
2. WATER QUALITY / STORAGE: Do you have an adequate storage facility (meets the needs of the waste generated from an average herd size for the previous 5 years) that meets NRCS Standards & Specifications?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. WATER QUALITY / STORAGE: Does the storage system meet required setbacks from the NRCS Standards & Specifications for waste storage facility?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. WATER QUALITY / STORAGE: Does producer need a waste storage pond, slab, tank, or building to collect or store waste?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. WATER QUALITY: Is the concentrated livestock area 150 feet or less from a sensitive area (eg: water body, stream, wetland, ditch, etc.)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. WATER QUALITY: Is the applicant in need of a method of dead animal disposal (that will meet State of FL Regulations)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. WATER QUALITY: Is the operation in need of a proper method to land apply waste that meets NRCS Standards & Specifications ?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. WATER QUALITY: Will the funding of this application result in the CLOSURE of the Confined Livestock Operation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score

Efficiency: Local Issues: State Issues: National Issues: Final Ranking Score:
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

NRCS Representative: Signature Date:	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy: Signature Date:
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